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Members:

Joint Committee on the Judiciary

Reference: Governor's Bill 16

Title: AN ACT ADDRESSING GUN VIOLENCE AND JUVENILE CRIME.

Statement of Purpose: Expanding Connecticut's so-called "assault weapons ban", modifying existing carry laws and expanding "Gun Free" zones

As a lifelong resident of Connecticut and Viet Nam veteran, I am STRONGLY OPPOSED to the Governor's / Senate Bill 16

The argument of limiting access to guns will save lives and reduce crime is unsupported. Limiting access to guns would do the opposite by preventing law-abiding citizens from defending themselves against armed criminals. Guns should not be blamed for the actions of criminals. Connecticut has sufficient restrictive laws in place, further laws amount to an infringement on the individual right to keep and bear arms under the Second Amendment, and a violation of the 14th Amendment's equal protection clause.

I would sincerely appreciate a response from you stating your position concerning this important legislation.

Sincerely,  
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